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Gonzalez speaks at AUSA luncheon

By Edward Rivera
Fort Sam Houston Public Affairs

The Alamo Chapter of the Association of the U. S. Army held its Spring 2002 meeting and luncheon at the Fort Sam Houston NCO Club March 28. After conducting AUSA elections of officers, the installation's top soldiers were officially recognized. AUSA President Bill Hartman then introduced keynote speaker Rep. Charles A. Gonzalez, 20th Congressional District of Texas.

Speaking to more than 350 attendees, Gonzalez touched on several different issues of concern to the audience. He mostly spoke about where our nation stands today, since September 11 and touched on taxes and the deficit which he termed "bread and butter issues" because the effects were directly on taxpayers.

Gonzalez talked about the atmosphere in Washington D.C. and political concerns about the American people. Quoting from the movie "A Few Good Men," Gonzalez said, "the question in Washington is can the American people handle the truth?"

"Terrorism, which is so different, different than any enemy we've ever had,"

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Photo by Edward Rivera
▲ Rosie Brooks, Fort Sam Houston Commissary assistant deli manager, sets out turkey slices for display. The Defense Commissary Agency Midwest Region recently selected the post commissary as the Best Large Commissary. For more information about the commissary see Pages 16 and 17.

White's goals unshaken

By Staff Sgt. Marcia Triggs
Army News Service

Army Secretary Thomas White said that his goal to implement better business practices will not be deterred by the Enron bankruptcy investigation.

White's goals to get the Army out of the utility business, stop the migration of installation funds and eliminate excess infrastructure will continue to be his focus, he told members of the press March 27

during a media round table at the Pentagon. And only if the Enron investigation becomes a distraction or he senses his "green suiters" are losing faith in his ability, will he step down as the Army's ranking civilian, he said.

"As secretary, I have never done anything whatsoever that could be construed as being favorable to Enron," White said. "I'm proud of what I did at Enron, and I made a lot of money for the company during my 11

years. But when I took over as secretary, I had to recuse myself of any decisions regarding Enron, and I have honored that."

The stock White divested from Enron was not made based on any inside information he had received, and that can be assessed from the money he lost, he said. However, White declined to reveal details about his financial situation.

"I do not want to portray myself as a

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Briefs

Annual AER Fund Campaign through April 30

The Army Emergency Relief Fund Campaign continues through April 30. See your unit's project officer to donate.

Bldg. 367 closed tomorrow

The Gen. Vogel Processing Center, Building 367 will be closed to the public April 5. All activities within the building will be supporting annual Soldier Readiness Program processing from 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., except the ID Card Office, which will be closed until 4 p.m. The ID Card Office will resume normal service at 7:30 a.m. on Monday.

Water outage at Watkins Terrace, April 13

Residents of the Watkins Terrace housing area are advised there will be a water outage for the entire Watkins Terrace housing area on April 13 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Race For The Cure, April 13

Although the team registration deadline has passed, you can still be part of FSH's Coalition for the Cure. Register individually at the Roadrunner Community Center, H.E.B. stores or shopping malls and then join the FSH Coalition at 6 a.m. at the Roadrunner for a carpool rally. Those who choose to go directly to the Alamodome can meet the team at the Coalition for the Cure Banner rally point adjacent to the race start on Cherry and Durango streets. More details in next week's News Leader.

Army Medical Specialist Corps 55th Anniversary, April 16

A ceremony commemorating the 55th anniversary of the Army Medical Specialist Corps will be held at Blesse Auditorium April 16 at 3 p.m. Refreshments will be served following ceremony.

SJA closed, April 18

The Office of the Staff Judge Advocate will close at noon on April 18 for annual spring clean up. No services will be available after noon on that day.

Any questions, please call OSJA, 221-0484.

Best of the best receive accolades and more

By Yolanda Hagberg
Fort Sam Houston Public Affairs

The installation's Soldier of the Year, Noncommissioned Officer of the Year, Drill Sergeant of the Year, and Instructor of the Year were announced Friday at a ceremony held at the NCO Club. The Command Sergeant Major for the U.S. Army Medical Command, Command Sgt. Maj. James M. Alpin was the keynote speaker.

With the 323d Army Band playing patriotic music, and their families, friends, comrades and supervisors present, one by one the soldiers were called to the front. From the 323d Army Band, the Soldier of the Year is Spec. James Cipriano. From A Company, Special

Troops Battalion the Noncommissioned Officer of the Year is Sgt. Richard Yniguez. From C Company, 187th Medical Battalion, the Drill Sergeant of the Year is Staff Sgt. Matthew Bright. And, from A Company, 187th Medical Battalion, the Instructor of the Year is 2nd Lt. Terrance

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► Soldier of the Year, Spec. James Cipriano, Noncommissioned Officer of the Year, Sgt. Richard Yniguez, Drill Sergeant of the year, Staff Sgt. Matthew Bright and Instructor of the Year 2nd Lt. Terrance Fee received the Army Commendation Medal from the installation commander on Friday.



Photo by Ray Turner

Commander: April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

Theme: Keeping Our Children Safe in Difficult Times: “Kids Count!”
April is Child Abuse Prevention Month in the Army

We live in difficult and changing times, and we are dedicated to meeting these challenges.

As the installation commander, it is my responsibility to make sure that every soldier, civilian employee, and family member has the support necessary to achieve our mission. Today, I want to focus on our children.

- April is the month when we celebrate the well being of all children in our Army family. April is both the “Month of the Military Child” and “Child Abuse Prevention Month.”
- Everyone in our community has the responsibility for keeping children safe.
- First, ensure your children are safe, protected and cared for.
- If you don’t have any children, please lend a hand to those who do, or volunteer to help in a child or youth program in our community.
- If you and your family can be foster parents, or adoptive parents, consider this request and contact our Family Advocacy Program Manager.
- If you see any child abuse, report it, it’s Army policy.
- Strong, caring families are resources for our Army community, and when our children are protected from harm, our soldiers can bring their full attention to the mission.
- Child abuse prevention is one of my priorities and I want commanders at every level to take appropriate steps to prevent it, protect victims, and hold those who commit it accountable.

In April, and throughout the year, join me, and Army installations everywhere, in “Keeping Our Children Safe in Difficult Times.”

I declare April 2002 “Child Abuse Prevention Month in the Army” at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.



Kevin C. Kiley
Major General, U.S. Army
Commanding General

A handwritten signature in black ink, likely belonging to Kevin C. Kiley, the Commanding General.

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Giant map helps train Guard divisions

By Karen Bradshaw
Army News Service

Combat boots had better be clean before stepping onto this battlefield: a gymnasium-size map of southern Europe.

Used by the First U.S. Army Warfighter Division to train National Guard division commanders and their staffs, the 50 by 120 ft. map is the brainchild of Maj. Mike Moore, Warfighter operations officer.

“We created this super-size map because it makes a great terrain model for the division commanders’ mission rehearsals,” said Moore.

Warfighter Division plans and executes computer simulation training for commanding generals and their staffs for four National Guard Divisions in First Army’s area. Part of the training involves a corps-level rehearsal designed to synchronize the division’s tactical plans within the larger framework of the corps.

“We were faced with producing

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Major Mike Moore
Warfighter operations officer

a terrain model of the area of operations that could be transported in a small truck, was economical and minimized man-hours required to produce. Our solution was to use geographic imagining software (ERDAS IMAGINE) to enlarge a military map of the area to a size that would enable a division commander to visualize the corps plan and synchronize operations with adjacent units,” said Maj. Moore. The sophisticated software produced maps with the corps’ operational graphics and high-lighted military aspects of the terrain.

Moore, an infantry officer, said, “I majored in Forestry at Auburn University where cartography was a major portion of the curriculum. It was that background that I drew on to learn and apply geographic imagining techniques”. In the

civilian world, these sophisticated 2D and 3D maps are used in natural resource management and planning to include such applications as placement of cell towers, roads and housing developments.

“We are preparing the New York National Guard’s 42d Division for their Warfighter exercise at Fort Leavenworth this summer. The huge map is like a giant chessboard allowing commanders to see each other as they move unit markers demonstrating their scheme of maneuvers,” according to Maj. Bill Childers, plans officer for Warfighter Division,

“We print the map using a HP 5000 plotter on five-foot wide paper in 20-foot sections, taping them together and covering the map with 5 ft. by 10 ft. sheets of Plexiglas for protection. Printing costs average around \$800 to



Photo by Karen Bradshaw

▲Maj. Mike Moore (left), First Army, Warfighter operations officer and Maj. Bill Childers, plans officer, stand on the 50 ft. by 120 ft. terrain map covered with Plexiglass sheets.

produce the gymnasium-size map,” said Moore.

“We needed a terrain model that would function for a corps rehearsal that didn’t require a terrain team to produce. After we take the map to the division’s Rock Drill, we leave it with them for their further use in mission rehearsals,”

he continued. “The response from the units we train has been overwhelmingly positive. By using off-the-shelf software, we were able to leverage technology to produce a training tool that otherwise would be beyond our capability,” said Moore.

Alerts lessen chance of network security breach

By Lt. Col. John Quigg
Army News Service

In 2000, Army networks were exposed to more than 5,000 intrusion attempts — less than 70 were successful. Intrusion attempts in 2001 nearly tripled, but less than 100 were successful.

During an undeclared “cyber war” between Chinese and U.S. hackers in the first two weeks of May, more than 50 Army Web pages were defaced by an automated attack. These defacements were successful because published fixes, identified in Information Assurance Vulnerability Alerts, were not in place on the hacked machines.

IAVA’s are the digital equivalent of a Safety of Flight Message and are reported to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff on a monthly basis. The alerts address basic security measures in place for Army computer networks and, officials said, they are one of the most critical tasks on a commander’s plate as the Army transforms itself into a digitally-enabled force.

Since January, there have been more than 5,000 intrusion attempts against the Army’s network — less than 15 of those have been successful. Officials in the Army Information Assurance Office, Chief Information Office, G-6, said they believe that the key is the IAVA process and that just one successful intrusion is too much.

The IAVA process, established in June 1998, provides the Secretary of Defense with “positive control” of vulnerability notification and a centralized reporting capability for tracking

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Lt. Col. Thaddeus Dmuchowski,
Director, Army Information Assurance Office

vulnerability compliance, according to officials.

The Army Computer Emergency Response Team is the Army’s focal point for implementation of the IAVA process and part of the Land Information Warfare Activity at Fort Belvoir, Va.

“The ACERT receives alerts issued by the DOD Computer Emergency Response Team,” explained Master Sgt. Larry Porter, head of the Army’s Chief Information Officer’s IAVA Compliance Verification Team. “The ACERT identifies the vulnerability and the solution for major command and program executive officers, Information Assurance program managers and their system administrators and network managers.”

Major military command IAPMs are responsible for ensuring that the alerts are acknowledged and that corrective actions are implemented or that extensions are granted, Porter said. Compliance reports are compiled by the Army’s IAO and provided to the Army’s CIO and senior leadership.

In November 1999, the Army established the IAVA Compliance Verification Team to conduct short-notice assessments of

randomly selected units to verify compliance. From its establishment through February 2002, the CVT has inspected 33 organizations and more than 50,000 computers. It has discovered 1,663 instances of previously identified IAVA vulnerabilities.

“These vulnerabilities were reported as corrected, but were still present on the networks,” Porter added.

The Army is doing a better job by increasing accountability and responsibility.

“We established an IAVA compliance database that provides a clear chain of accountability and communications,” said Ron Sturmer, a contractor with the Army’s IAO.

“It’s clear that as long as we have an Army computer network, we are going to have to protect it,” said Lt. Col. Thaddeus Dmuchowski, director of the Army’s Information Assurance Office. “Each year the number of attempted intrusions has increased, and it’s not just against military computer networks. Nationally, the Computer Emergency Response Team identified six intrusion attempts in 1988, compared to more than 52,000 attempts last year.”

Army Family Team Building offers the following Level II classes:

Date	Time	Topic
April 9	9 – 9:15 a.m.	Welcome/Introductions/Registration
	9:15 – 10:30 a.m.	Enhancing Relationship Building Management Skills: Group Dynamics
	10:30 – 10:45 a.m.	Break
April 10	10:45 a.m. to noon	Intro. to Effective Leadership
	9 – 9:15 a.m.	Administrative Notes
	9:15 – 10:30 a.m.	Management Skills: Communication Skills Management Skills: Conflict Management
April 11	10:30 – 10:45 a.m.	Break
	10:45 a.m. – noon	Time Management Meeting Management
	9 – 9:15 a.m.	Administrative Notes
April 16	9:15 – 10:30 a.m.	Volunteer Management/Marketing/ Experience Management Skills: Understanding Needs
	10:30 – 10:45 a.m.	Break
	10:45 a.m. to noon	Management Skills: Crisis/Coping
April 17	9 – 9:15 a.m.	Administrative Notes
	9:15 – 10:30 a.m.	Adapting to Change Stress Management
	10:30 – 10:45 a.m.	Break
April 18	10:45 a.m. to noon	Intermediate Problem Solving
	9 – 9:15 a.m.	Administrative Notes
	9:15 – 10:30 a.m.	Networking with Community Agencies Building a Resource Library
	10:30 – 10:45 a.m.	Break
	10:45 a.m. to noon	Family Support Groups
	9 – 9:15 a.m.	Administrative Notes
	9:15 – 10:30 a.m.	Military Grade and Command Structure Traditions, Customs, Courtesies & Protocol
	10:30 – 10:45 a.m.	Break
	10:45 – 11:45 a.m.	Benefits, Entitlements, & Compensation
	11:45 a.m. to noon	Certificates

Note: All classes will be held in the Roadrunner Community Center. To register for classes or to get more information, call 221-2705

Army activates new Accession Command

By Jim Caldwell
Army News Service

The U.S. Army Accessions Command was activated March 25 to oversee recruiting and training of both enlisted soldiers and officers.

AAC is composed of the U.S. Army Recruiting Command at Fort Knox, Ky., the U.S. Army Cadet Command at Fort Monroe, Va., and the U.S. Army Training Center at Fort Jackson, S.C. The new AAC is headquartered at Fort Monroe as a subordinate command of the U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command.

The mission of the new command, officials said, is to "produce the right soldier, at the right place, at the right time, with the right competencies."

"You may ask, 'Well, aren't we doing that now?'" said Lt. Gen. Dennis Cavin, AAC commander. "The answer, to a degree, is yes, but the processes that we've got in place now are not linked very well."

"This command's function is to bring all that together under one organization, and provide the command, control and coordination to ... produce the best soldier we possibly can produce for the operational Army, and do that efficiently."

"This idea of bringing the synergy of these three commands together is so that our appeal to the youth of America and their families is principled, is on target and is an outreach to not only meet the needs of the nation and its Army, but the needs of the American people. That's what this is all about," said Gen. John N. Abrams, TRADOC commander, at a ceremony officially activating the Accessions Command at Fort Monroe March 25.

Cavin will also remain the TRADOC deputy commanding general for Initial Entry Training.

There are currently 59 military and civilian personnel authorized on the ACC headquarters staff. The staff is dispersed among Fort Monroe, Fort Knox and Fort Jackson. The command's transition to full operations will be completed next year, officials said.

"It is not foreseen that the activation will result in directed movement or transfer of personnel currently in position to another location," Cavin said.

One of the methods that AAC will use to make a "seamless



Photo by Wes Anderson

▲ Lt. Gen. Dennis Cavin, left, commander of the new U.S. Army Accessions Command, and Gen. John N. Abrams, TRADOC commander, share a comment and handshake as they exchange places at the podium.

transition" from recruit to soldier is to train soldiers on the tasks and equipment they'll need at their first assignment.

"It's called assignment-oriented training," Cavin said. "An individual in current training methodologies has to learn a broad spectrum of equipment because the Army doesn't know exactly where we are going to send him or her."

"The assignment-oriented training process takes a hard look at the critical tasks that are currently in our programs of instruction, and makes a determination whether an individual really needs all those skills at that first unit."

"You take those less relevant tasks out of the POI and reduce the training time. That provides a more highly competent soldier to the operational Army in a shorter period of time."

He said under assignment-oriented training new soldiers will know what unit they'll go to when they're in basic combat training.

The new approach is undergoing a pilot at Fort Gordon, Ga.

The pilot is for 31R Signal Corps soldiers. Before the pilot they spent 13.6 weeks learning about all the types and models of mobile subscriber equipment in use around the Army, but every Signal unit does not use all the equipment.

"We're able to segment their training into what we call core

training, tasks that have to be performed if they're Signaleers," Cavin said. "We can then tailor their additional training so that they are better prepared to make a contribution on day one when they show up at their first unit."

"When you do those critical tasks and you tailor those tasks, you then can reduce the training from 13.6 weeks down to 9.6 weeks in some cases."

He also said that, on average, courses using the traditional approach throughout TRADOC fully train soldiers on 78 percent of critical tasks. Using the assignment-oriented approach, soldiers can be trained to standard on 95 to 100 percent of critical tasks needed in their first unit of assignment.

The command will reinforce traditional classroom and hands-on training with new training methodologies and information technology.

"We're discovering that, through information technology we can improve the learning retention of an individual," Cavin said.

"We can give them a higher caliber of learning and more current references to manuals that change frequently, those kinds of things, by using some different training methodologies," Cavin said. "We can, indeed, create a capability of life-long learning. "So if we combine current

methods with reducing the number of tasks, based on assignment-oriented training, then you can begin to shorten the time that the individual is in this training account," Cavin said. "They can get out to those operational units quicker, with a higher level of competence, ready to make a contribution on day one."

The command will oversee conversion of more military occupational specialty advanced individual training courses to One Station Unit Training, which is a combination of basic combat training and AIT. There are currently seven MOS-producing OSUT courses.

One key value of OSUT is that drill sergeants and instructors get to know the new soldiers better. Another is MOS training can be interwoven with basic training to show soldiers how their jobs apply to field units. Lastly, trainees' soldierization process lasts for much longer than nine weeks, and builds on relationships and teamwork earlier in their careers.

AAC's mandate is to make the total accession process more efficient and effective. Currently USAREC is responsible for recruiting enlisted soldiers and the U.S. Army Cadet Command recruits officers through its Reserve Officer Training Corps detachments and battalions around the

country.

The two organizations have like functions, which can clearly complement each other in a dramatic manner, Cavin said.

"The very extensive PA&E (Program Analysis and Evaluation) section that we've got at USAREC will expand its research capability and take on some functions for officer recruiting, retention and research, as well," Cavin said.

"We're looking at the feasibility of putting a recruiter in every ROTC battalion in America, permanently assigned to assist in officer recruiting and expand our exposure to door-opening opportunities for the total marker."

Officer Candidate School, Fort Benning, Ga., and Warrant Officer Candidate School, Fort Rucker, Ala., are also AAC's responsibilities.

A fourth OCS company will be activated in July, following the addition of a third company last year.

Under proposed TRADOC Officer Education Transformation initiative, officers commissioned through ROTC, OCS or the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y., will undergo their active officer initial military training through basic officer leadership courses.

BOLCs have only been conducted as pilot courses, with the fourth pilot completed the first week of March at Fort Benning, Ga. BOLC establishes a baseline for all officers, regardless of branch, officials said. They said new officers will be steeped in the fundamentals of small-unit principles, equipped with the confidence and competencies to make a dramatic contribution on day one in their first unit.

"We have learned from the experiences of the pilots and we believe that now we know enough to adjust the POI appropriately so that the cadre are trained to the specifics of what we need them to do in this course," Cavin said.

"That young lieutenant that we'll send out of BOLC will be the very best small-unit leader that this nation can produce, grounded in fundamentals of small-unit leadership, under adverse conditions, with the confidence to stand in front of that very first platoon, emanating leadership skills that cause their soldiers to say, 'I'm proud to serve under this leadership.'"

TIM moves to final stages

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victim," White said. "However, I'm not a perpetrator. I believed in that company until it filed for bankruptcy."

Since White left Enron about a year ago and became the secretary of the Army, he has pushed for initiatives that would save the Army money — money that could be re-invested on the soldier. The privatization of utilities has been the slowest initiative to get off the ground, he said.

"I'm very disappointed in the

progress that we've made in privatization," White said. "Systems are falling apart, and we don't have the capital to maintain them. We have over 200 systems to privatize, and this [privatization] is not an option."

A program that is being accelerated under White is Transformation Installation Management.

At a garrison commander's conference, White announced that TIM is in its final stages. TIM was

designed to streamline the Army's headquarters, and fence funds at the garrison level, according to TIM officials. Base operations funds will be used for base operations services and repairs, and there will be no migration of funds, officials said.

In the midst of the war on terrorism and the need for more soldiers, White said that base reduction and closure will happen. He said implementation of base closures can be expected in 2005.

Top soldiers exemplify the Army Values

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Fee.

The Army Medical Department Center and School and Installation Commander Maj. Gen. Kevin C. Kiley awarded each of the soldiers the Army Commendation Medal in recognition of their achievements. The soldiers also received numerous gifts, savings bonds, gift certi-

ficates, and memberships from sponsoring agencies which included the Alamo Chapter of the Association of the U.S. Army, the Government Employee Insurance Company, the San Antonio Credit Company, American Eagle International, the Army Air Force Exchange Service, the installation's Community Activities Business Center, and Eisenhower National Bank.

Congressman defines citizenship and the heart of America

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said Gonzalez. “Can we handle the truth as an American society of what it will take to defeat probably the greatest threat that has ever faced America?”

Most of the attendees in the room were nodding yes, but the congressman’s concern was not with AUSA members.

“For all of you in uniform, it is your profession, I know you are ready, but my concern is the general public.”

Before Gonzalez unveiled his ideas of what the military and American’s needed to do to combat the new menace to the American way of life, he talked about why our nation was attacked.

“As a group we were looking for answers as to why we would be attacked the way we were September 11. The president gave the answer when he addressed us jointly,” said Gonzalez.

Quoting President George W. Bush, the congressman said, “Their leaders are self-appointed, they hate our freedoms. Our freedom of religion, our freedom of speech our freedom to vote and assemble and to disagree with each other.”

Gonzalez also said it scares other societies, because they see us as an invasion of their cultures by powerful outside influences.

“Forces like social mobility and cosmopolitan thinking that can undermine the authorities of clans, religious elders, kings and dictators. They view our freedoms in an open society as a threat to their authority and their power. And we need to understand that is how they see us.”

Gonzalez stressed what President Bush said when he addressed them, “the American people need to understand that we will delegate our safety and our security to you,” meaning the military.

“The American people also have a responsibility to you who wear the uniform and to Congress to do their part,” explained the congressman. “Can the American public handle the truth that it will take sacrifice, policies that we have never had before?”

Gonzalez went on to explain what the American military had to do in addition to being the nation’s defenders. “You are not going to be just soldiers, you are our ambassadors. You must show the true face, heart and soul of America,” he said.

“That is an incredible duty that you have more so than anyone preceding you.”

According to Gonzalez, America’s job is to show that it (democracy) really is something that can be adopted and can make other countries better. That

freedom does not have to give up neither their separate identity nor their religions or their values.

“We have to sell America as to who we are and what we are all about. Not the image of America. The messages they see of our culture are our movies and our music,” said Gonzalez. “I love our movies and our music, but they don’t represent our culture. It doesn’t reflect the spirit, the heart and soul of the American people.”

In talking about citizenship and the heart of America, Gonzalez made comparisons between the World War II generation and today’s soldiers and politicians.

“They, the WWII veterans did what was expected of them. That’s where we are today,” said Gonzalez. “Things are expected of you that more closely resemble the WWII veteran than anything else.”

In his closing remarks Gonzalez brought it down to a simple concept, citizenship.

“It (citizenship) is the acceptance of the duties, the loyalties, the inspirations and the habits of mind that bind us together as Americans,” he said. “Everyone must do what is expected of them as soldiers as citizens and as politicians. Perhaps we all have to go back to the mindset of the WWII generation in order to be better today.”



Photo by Phil Reidinger

▲ Brig. Gen. Daniel F. Perugini, Brooke Army Medical Center commander, talks with Barbara Banker, Alamo Chapter Board of directors for the Association of the U.S. Army before the luncheon in which Rep. Charles A. Gonzalez, 20th Congressional District of Texas, was the keynote speaker.

First Response to Child Abuse Prevention Agenda

Conference to take place on April 9-11, 2002 at the Roadrunner Community Center, Bldg. 2729

April 9, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

- Opening Remarks by Kathleen Curd, Deputy Commander, U.S. Army Garrison
- Indicators of Child Abuse and the Role of the Child Protective Services by Susan Irving, CPS Representative
- Shaken Baby Syndrome by Lt. Col. Reginald Moore, Chief, Pediatric Bone Marrow Transplant, Wilford Hall Medical Center
- Conference Luncheon, NCO Club, Guest speaker Ken Wooden, founder and author of Child Lures Prevention (Luncheon is free; however, seating is limited)
- "It's all about ME!" - Motivation and Empowerment by Linda Fontenot-Simmons, A.B.D., Consultant, The Human Empowerment Organization Source

- Children at Risk: Prevention and Education, and the Influence of Pornography on Children by Lee Roscoe, M.Ed., Instructional Systems Specialist, AMEDDC&S

April 10, 8 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

- Child Lures by Ken Wooden, Founder of Child Lures Prevention
- Lunch
- "It's all about ME!" - Motivation and Empowerment by Linda Fontenot-Simmons, A.B.D., Consultant, The Human Empowerment Organization Source
- Ethical Consideration by Col. Dexter R. Freeman, Chief, Family Advocacy Training Section, Soldier Family Support Branch, AMEDDC&S

April 11 8 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

- Differential Diagnosis of Nonaccidental Trauma by Sharon W. Cooper, M.D., Developmental and Forensic Pediatrics and Dr. Nancy Kellogg, M.D., Recognized Forensic Pediatrician, Alamo Children's Advocacy Center, San Antonio, Texas
- Lunch
- Mock Trial by Dr. Sharon W. Cooper, M.D., Developmental and Forensic Pediatrics; Dr. Nancy Kellogg, M.D., Recognized Forensic Pediatrician, Alamo Children's Advocacy Center, San Antonio, Texas; and Lt. Col. Reginald Moore, Chief, Pediatric Bone Marrow Transplant, Wilford Hall Medical Center

Note: Registration required daily from 7:30 to 8 a.m. For information call 221-2332 or 221-2350 (CEUs are available.)



Photo by Ray Turner

SAMC recognizes outstanding soldiers

▲Fort Sam Houston Sergeant Audie Murphy Club inductees Staff Sgt. Rachell Daniels, Brooke Army Medical Center and Staff Sgt. Joseph Casey, 314th Military Intelligence Battalion, take time to show off their Army Commendation Medal and the Sergeant Audie Murphy Club medallions presented to them during the induction ceremony on Tuesday. The SAMC recognizes noncommissioned officers who set the example for leadership and professionalism exemplified by war hero and Army legend Sergeant Audie Murphy.

DoD fights government credit card abuse

By Linda D. Kozaryn
American Forces Press Service

Defense officials are on the trail of anyone who hasn't paid their government travel credit card bill and those who've misused government purchase cards.

Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld "is moving forcefully" to correct department travel and purchase credit card problems, "which he considers to be very serious," DoD Comptroller Dov S. Zakheim said in a Pentagon press briefing today. The department intends to have a package of remedies in the form of proposed legislation or administrative changes within 60 days, he added.

Zakheim said he set up a task force about a week ago made up of the DoD inspector general and Defense Criminal Investigative Service, and representatives from the Office of Personnel Management, Justice Department and Office of Management and Budget. The task force objectives are to investigate and punish wrongdoers, develop reforms, and improve training and senior management enforcement.

The Defense Department has issued about 1.4 million travel credit cards to individual employees and service

members. Last year, cardholders charged some \$3.4 billion using the cards. The department has also issued about 207,000 purchase cards to persons authorized to buy office supplies and equipment. Last year, \$6.1 million was spent using DoD purchase cards.

Defense officials say users' current delinquency rate on travel cards is 11.7 percent and 3 percent for centrally billed purchase card accounts. Accounts are considered delinquent when payment is not made within 60 days. Punishment for card misuse, fraud and abuse include termination of DoD employment, imprisonment, probation, restitution, fines and demotion, officials said.

The Defense Criminal Investigative Service has 17 open investigations involving 90 persons allegedly involved in credit card fraud. Other completed cases have resulted in jail terms, probation and restitution. Examples:

- A Florida man, for example, pleaded guilty to placing fraudulent charges on 13 government credit cards. He was sentenced to 18 months in jail and 36 months' probation, and ordered to pay \$262,840 in restitution and other fees.
- In another case, a Texas

man pleaded guilty to using a government credit card to buy a television for personal use. He was fired and sentenced in federal court to a \$3,000 fine and \$1,400 in restitution.

- A Virginia man must pay \$400,200 in restitution after pleading guilty to bribing Joint Staff Supply Service employees to buy from his office supplies company using their government credit cards. He was sentenced to 27 months in jail and 36 months' probation.

"The point is we do prosecute," Zakheim stressed. "We do get convictions, and people do pay either in jail time or in money or both."

Zakheim called the credit card programs a major and essential part of DoD's efforts to improve its business practices. The cards cut costs, free up funds for critical requirements and create the potential for accountability.

"What we're looking for now is better ways of executing that," he said. "The issue is not to eliminate the cards — that is going backward. ... What we've got to do is prevent misuse."

The problem is not widespread, Zakheim stressed. "I think sometimes people get the impression that there is this overwhelming degree of misuse. It is simply false."

While the delinquency rate on the DoD cards is higher than for private sector cards, he noted, that doesn't mean the department thinks it's acceptable.

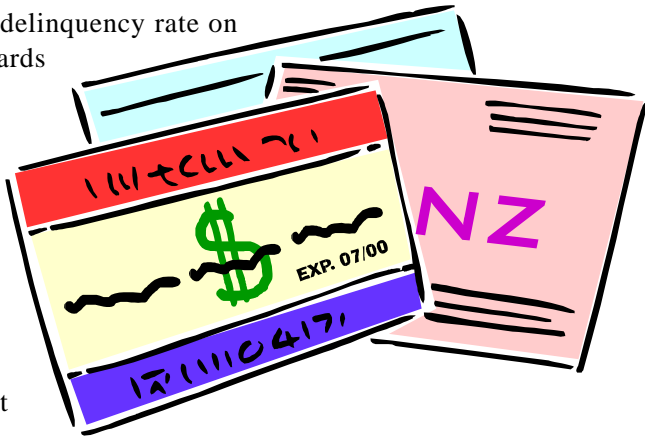
"No abuse is acceptable," he stressed. "No delinquency is acceptable."

Since April 2001, defense officials have taken steps to reduce misuse, fraud and abuse and have succeeded in cutting the total delinquent amount from \$20 million to about \$6.9 million, he said. Because of one step, for instance, employees can't transfer to another office or leave the department until delinquent credit card charges are addressed.

"In other words, you can't just skip town," Zakheim said.

Defense officials are looking at ways to make both individuals and supervisors responsible for fraudulent charges. "The best way to encourage people to do things properly is if they know it's ultimately going to come out of their pocket," he said.

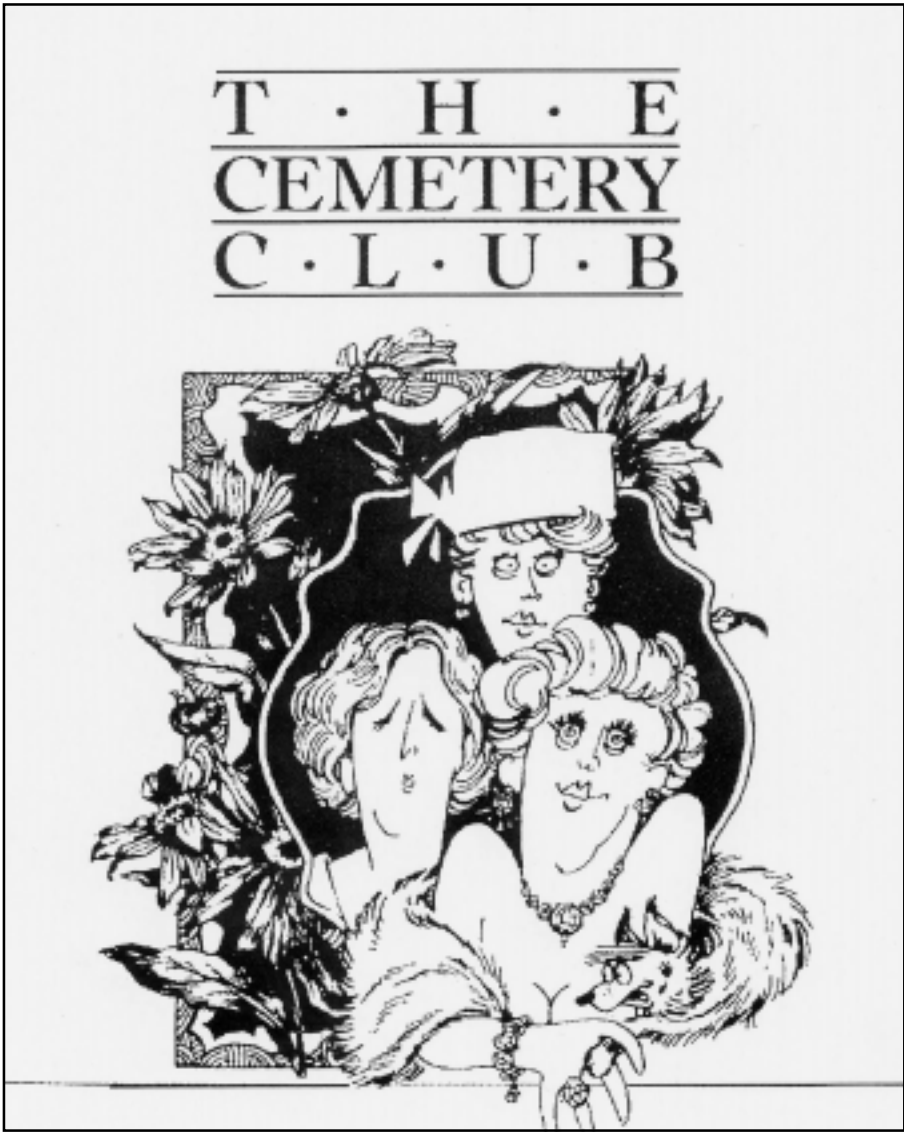
Officials are also consider-



ing a way for the government to take some of the money out of an employee's pay and send it directly to the bank for the credit card bill. They're also looking at making credit card abuse a specific offense under the Uniform Code of Military Justice. They're looking at suspending employees' security clearances; increasing prosecution and possibly using state and local courts to prosecute; accelerating electronic billing for purchase cards; and improving training.

"You have to convince people that this is a major concern," Zakheim said. "The kind of money that can be lost this way is money that can be spent on bombs, bullets, readiness — whatever. It's not that people do not want to be responsible. It's sometimes that they need to be trained how to be responsible."

‘The Cemetery Club’ now showing at the Harlequin



The Harlequin Dinner Theatre is featuring “The Cemetery Club”, a comedy by Ivan Menchell, Wednesday through Saturday evenings from now through May 4th.

Three Jewish widows meet once a month for tea before going to the cemetery to visit their husband’s graves. Ida is sweet-tempered and ready to begin a new life, Lucille is a feisty embodiment of the girl who just wants to have fun, and Doris is priggish and judgmental, particularly when Sam the butcher enters the scene. He meets the widows while visiting his wife’s grave. Doris and Lucille squash the budding romance between Sam and Ida. They are guilt-stricken when this nearly breaks Ida’s heart.

Prices are **\$25.95** on Friday and Saturday and **\$22.95** on Wednesday and Thursday. There are military discount rates. Performances are Wednesday through Saturday evenings with the house opening for cocktails and salad bar at 6:15 p.m. Dinner is served from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. and curtain time is 8 p.m. For reservations call 222-9694 or come to the theatre in advance. The box office is open Monday through Friday from noon to 5 p.m. and Saturdays from 1 to 5 p.m. Handicapped accessible.

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Soldiers shine at annual Fifth Army competition

By Master Sgt. Don Thomas
Special to the News Leader

Call it the Fifth Army Oscars. Competing soldiers strike statuesque poses in uniforms that glitter like gold. But unlike the Hollywood award, which increases a winner's worldwide glamour, the annual Fifth Army Soldier of the Year competition highlights winners' outstanding basic soldier knowledge and leadership skills.

Fifty-six soldiers from Fifth Army's 21-state area of responsibility gathered March 25-26 at the St. Anthony Hotel in San Antonio to compete for the command's top NCO and soldier honor.

The five categories included top NCO and Soldier for the Army Reserve, top NCO and Soldier of the Army National Guard and top NCO for active duty.

Winners were decided by a score granted by a board of five command sergeants major. The top two overall scores will advance to compete at the Forces Command level in August.

Sergeant 1st Class James O'Hara, 2d Bn, 291st Aviation Regiment, 75th Division (TS) won top active duty NCO; Staff Sgt. Donald Darland, Company B, 224th Engineer Bn, Iowa National Guard, won top Army National Guard NCO; Spc. Doreen Jensen, 2632d Transportation Co., California Army National Guard, took top Guard soldier. Top Army Reserve NCO went to Staff Sgt. Keith Brown, Battle Projection Group, 1st Bde, 75th Division (TS) and top Reserve soldier went to Spc. Kelly Javier, Headquarters, 311th Theater Support Command. O'Hara and Jensen will represent Fifth Army at FORSCOM.

Winners were announced at a banquet at the Fort Sam Houston NCO Club March 25. Their spoils included an Army Commendation Medal and wrist watch from Fifth Army; two \$500 savings bonds, one from the United States Army Association and one from GEICO; a Bowie Knife from First Command financial planning company; a plaque from the Association of the United States Army, and a K-Bar Knife from the Non Commissioned Officers Association.

Guest speaker for the awards banquet was Lt. Gen. Freddy McFarren, Fifth Army commander. McFarren, a consistent praiser of the Army's enlisted leadership, used the occasion to express appreciation for NCOs.

"You're the ones who maintain the standards in the United States Army. Not five days a week, every day of the year," said McFarren, who described himself as simply a soldier who has been "touched" throughout his career by outstanding NCOs.

He recalled how he had been touched in ways ranging from the comical to the solemn. There was the eye-opening experience of a second lieutenant having his first sergeant correct him for sitting on his desk to the comforting experience of a colonel sharing coffee and consultation with his brigade sergeant major every day in the



▲ Winners of the Fifth Army NCO/Soldier of the Year competition are (l to r) Top Reserve Soldier, Spc. Kelley Javier; top National Guard NCO, Staff Sgt. Donald Darland; top Guard soldier, Spc. Doreen Jensen; top active duty NCO, Sergeant 1st Class James O'Hara; and top Reserve NCO, Staff Sgt. Keith Brown.

► Spc. Kody Lane, Oregon National Guard tests his knowledge in front of a board of sergeants major during Fifth Army's NCO/Soldier of the Year competition, March 26, at the St. Anthony Hotel, in San Antonio. Board members are (l to r) Command Sgt. Maj. Stephen Sitton, Sergeant Maj. David Prasil, Command Sgt. Maj. Allen Conley and Command Sgt. Maj. Jack Caldwell.

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Master Sgt. Don Thomas,
Fifth Army Public Affairs

predawn hours, for eight months of Desert Shield/Desert Storm.

McFarren also had special praise for Reserve Component soldiers.

"I have a great appreciation for the sacrifice Reserve Component soldiers make just to wear the uniform," he said, pointing out that 55 percent of the Army's force structure is in the Reserve Component. "We've got people who travel a state or two to be with their unit. That says so much about our profession and about the people in those states. You're important to our country."

McFarren reminded the group that America is at war and thanked those Reserve Component units participating in Homeland Security.

"We don't know what lies before us other than the fact we have a lot of faith in our president, our national command authority and our leaders. And as members of the United States Army we're ready to go wherever they ask us to go," McFarren said.

Fifth Army Command Sgt. Maj. Teddy Harman, who McFarren referred to as "my soldier buddy," emphasized the importance of the three Army components thinking as one.

"It doesn't matter if you're in the Guard, Reserve or Active Component, we're one Army. When you look at the soldiers in this room, you're probably looking at our replacements," Harman told senior NCOs at the awards banquet. "You see the future leadership and the future noncommissioned officers of the United States Army."



▲ Sgt. Maj. Henry Jackson, Fifth Army Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations, gives pointers to a soldier about to face a board of sergeants major during Fifth Army's NCO/Soldier of the year Competition, March 26, at the St. Anthony Hotel in San Antonio.



FSH Education Center opens new computer lab



▲ Rolando Cavazos, demonstrates the use of a computer in the new education center computer lab to Col. Douglas A. Biggerstaff, commander U. S. Army Garrison, Fort Sam Houston (right) and Brig. Gen. (Ret.) T.G. Smith, Webster University Academic Advisor.

► Fort Sam Houston, United States Army Garrison, Commander Col. Douglas A. Biggerstaff (right) and Brig. Gen. (Ret.) T.G. Smith, Webster University Academic Advisor, officially re-open the post Army Continuing Education Service computer lab April 2, which moved to building 2247. The computer lab is a partnership between the Education Center and Webster University, which will make computers available to soldiers during the day and Webster students at night. For more information call 221-1738



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Edward Rivera

REMINDER: Installation Spring Clean-up

Fort Sam Houston will conduct Installation Spring Clean-up from April 15 to 19. During this week military and civilian personnel are encourage to clean areas adjacent to their work places as outlined in Fort Sam Houston Regulation 420-2. This includes cleaning of parking lots and family housing areas as outlined in the latest Area of Responsibility map sheet for tenant units.

With approval from chain of command, military personnel residing on post will be granted one half day to police/maintain their quarters.

Planning for the future

The ACAP Center is hosting a one-hour seminar for people within five years of separation from military or federal civil service. The seminar is “Your Future: Finances After the Military” and will be presented 9 to 10 a.m. on April 18 in Bldg. 2263, Room B100. Reservations are required due to limited seating. Spouses are encouraged to attend. Call Russ Lane at 221-9255 or 221-1213 to reserve your seat.

Laundry and Dry Cleaner facilities have new hours

AAFES announces the following Laundry and Dry Cleaner facilities new hours of operation effective April 1:

- Bldg. 2735** Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Saturday, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Sunday, 9:30 to 2 p.m.
- Bldg. 4188** Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Saturday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Sunday, 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Bldg. 1387** Monday through Friday, 3 to 8 p.m.
Saturday, 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Closed on Sunday
- Bldg. 2441** Monday through Friday 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Closed Saturday and Sunday

Career Clips



The Army Career and Alumni Program office provides numerous services to eligible people in transition including job assistance. Information on these and other positions is available to ACAP customers in the ACAP office, Bldg. 2264 or call 221-1213.

Financial Payroll Analyst - San Antonio. Research payroll, wage and hour, and compensation regulations; provide advice and counsel on interpretation and application of those regulations; and consult on implementations and changes to payroll process by working with management and staff.

Purchasing Assistant - San Antonio. This is a clerical support position to the purchasing department requiring one to two years previous purchasing experience. Intermediate to advanced knowledge of MS Office and aptitude in Math and English is important.

Grants Coordinator - San Antonio. Write grants and implement museum’s effort to secure grants, sponsorships and underwriting from corporate, foundation and government sources for general operations, exhibitions, programs and other special projects.

Administrative Assistant - San Antonio. Short term position with and international aviation company. Positions requires advanced skills in Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint. Experience with budgeting, accounting and/or AutoCAD also helpful.



Photo by Phil Reidinger

▲ Brig. Gen. Daniel Perugini and his wife Coleta welcome Chaplain (Col.) Phillip Hill to Fort Sam Houston during the installation Easter Sunrise service at the Quadrangle. Chaplain Hill, who is the executive officer to the Chief of Chaplains, delivered the Easter sermon to more than 500 members of the military and local civilian communities who attended the traditional post service.

Post worship schedule

Protestant

Sunday:

- 8 a.m. Service, AMEDD Regimental Chapel, Bldg. 1398
- 9 a.m. Traditional Service, Installation Chaplain's Office, Bldg. 2530
- 9:15 a.m. Troop Service, Evans Auditorium, Bldg. 1396
- 10 a.m. Service, BAMC Chapel
- 10:45 a.m. Gospel Service, Dodd Field Chapel, Bldg. 1721
- 11 a.m. Service, AMEDD Regimental Chapel
- 11:15 a.m. Gospel Service, Evans Auditorium
- 12:30 Spanish Service, AMEDD Regimental Chapel

Wednesday:

- 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. PWOC meeting, Dodd Field Chapel (Childcare is provided for those who attend PWOC meeting).
- 12 p.m. Bible Study, Dodd Field Chapel
- 12 p.m. Service, BAMC Chapel

Catholic

Saturday:

- 5:30 p.m. Mass, AMEDD Regimental Chapel

Sunday:

- 8:30 a.m. Mass, BAMC Chapel
- 9:15 a.m. Mass, Dodd Field Chapel
- 9:15 a.m. Mass, AMEDD Regimental Chapel
- 11:15 a.m. Mass, BAMC Chapel
- *12:45 p.m. Mass, Dodd Field Chapel
- *Bilingual Mass on 1st Sunday of the month (For information call 590-6593).

Weekdays:

- 11 a.m. Mass, BAMC Chapel
- 11:30 a.m. Mass, AMEDD Regimental Chapel

1st Friday:

- 9 a.m. Mass Catholic Women, Dodd Field Chapel

Jewish

Friday:

- 8 p.m. Service, Dodd Field Chapel
- 8:30 p.m. Oneg Shabbat, Dodd Field Chapel (For information call 379-8666 or 493-6660)

Mormon

Sunday:

- 10:30 a.m. Bldg. 1350, Room 1, Koehler Road, across from Evans Auditorium

Wednesday:

- 7 p.m. LDS Studies, Bldg. 1350, Room 1

Muslim

Sunday:

- 10:30 a.m. Religious Education, Bldg. 607A, Infantry Post

Friday:

- 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Prayer Service, Bldg. 607A, Infantry Post

Thursday:

- 8 p.m. Adult Religious Education, Bldg. 607A, Infantry Post

Note: The Post Gift Chapel is closed for renovations indefinitely.

Chaplain Administrative Offices are located at Dodd Field Chapel, Bldg. 1721, phone number 221-5432. Garrison staff duty officer, (after duty) 221-2810.





Photo by Edward Rivera

Tozier is first physician assistant to wear eagles

▲Col. William L. Tozier stands proudly as his son, Coast Guard Petty Officer 3rd Class Evan Tozier replaces his father's silver oak leaves with a pair of silver eagles. The promotion ceremony held at the Fort Sam Houston Stilwell House, April 1, was not only a milestone for Tozier, but for the Medical Command as well. Tozier became the first physician assistant to be promoted to colonel in the active Army.

U.S. Army Promotions



The following promotions are announced for April:

To Colonel:

Matthew Hale
William Tozier

To Lieutenant Colonel:

Yong Bradley
David Brown
Dennis Krings
Thomas Yarber

To Major:

Corina Barrow
Illya Chisolm
John Dupeire
David Gibson
Nicole Kerkenbush
David Mendoza
Kevin Mindak
Patrick Picardo
Keith Rigdon

To Captain:

Gussie Jones
James Mulvehill

To Chief Warrant Officer 3:

Christopher Gidula
Willie Lindsay
Melinda Strother

To Sergeant Major:

Mark Dunn
Rodney Nicholes
Phillip Tabor

To Master Sergeant:

Richard Battig
David Burke
Shirley Conquest
Cornelius Hosch
Dorris Mitchell
Joseph Pullen
Kenneth Smith

To Sergeant 1st Class:

Scott Archer
Esvelia Baez
Peter Bracero
Barry Dunnigan
Sharon Fairs
William Fisher
Robert Lewis
Elizabeth Robinson
Wilfredo Santiago

Kenneth Schoelhamer
Roy Vantine
Scott Vaughan
Barry Walters
Robert Woolsey

To Staff Sergeant:

Irving Council
Edward Davis
Scott Elliott
Christopher Fowler
James Gregory
John Luman
Tamara Matthews
Terrence Mitchell
Victor Perez

To Sergeant:

David Crandall
George Flores
Matthew Frederiksen
John Herrera
Jorel Issac
Marc Johnson
Marcus NixBenz
Paneboun
Rosalio Quintanilla
Scott Smith
Christopher Stigall
Kris Williams

Fort Freebies



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For Sale: Home for large family, all brick, 3,843 sq. ft., four bedrooms and two full baths upstairs. One bedroom/study and full bath downstairs. Two-car garage, covered patio and landscaped yard, too many amenities to list. Located only 20 minutes from Fort Sam Houston and 15 minutes from Randolph in a great neighborhood. \$179,000. Call 491-0534.

For Sale: 1974 Bug, good car, very original, \$2,500 obo. Call 221-5688 or evenings at (830) 393-2239. May see at Lemon Lot.

For Sale: 1995 Nissan Pathfinder, 34,00 miles, red with black interior, V-6, 4 WD, cruise control, PW, PL, roof rack, AM/FM cassette, AM/FM cassette, tint, AC, \$10,000. Call 221-7044.
















For Sale: Princess cut .59 carat diamond engagement ring, 14K yellow gold, appraised at \$2,000, will sacrifice for \$1,500. Call 494-8401.

For Sale: Leather chair with ottoman, \$35, 6 drawer dresser with mirror and night stands, \$350, Hammond Organ, \$200, other miscellaneous items. Call 653-1780.

For Rent: House, 3-1-1, family room, living room, kitchen/ dining area, fenced backyard at 4403 First View, San Antonio, off Perrin Beitel near the main Post Office. Application required. \$675 a month plus deposits. Call (210) 490-8786.

For Sale: 64" Phillips/Magnavox big screen TV, \$2,500, includes maintenance agreement for 2 years. Truck 2000 Ford Ranger XLT S-cab, \$12,500, 6 cylinder, 3.0L engine, a/c, cruise, tilt, 16K miles, Ford Roadside service and maintenance good till 36K miles. Call 846-1054

For Sale: Two girls bedroom sets, white Formica, \$1,200 for both or \$600/\$700 each, dresser, \$20, matching dressers \$50 each or both for \$80, small dresser, \$15, Little Tykes play gym and boat sandbox, \$50/\$25, girl's scooters (2), \$30 each or both for \$50, car luggage carrier, \$75. Call 657-7433.

<div>  <h1>THE OFFICERS' CLUB</h1> <div>  <h2>April</h2> <h3>LUNCH BUFFET</h3> <p>\$5.95/\$4.95 for Club Members</p> </div> </div>				
Lunch is served from 11:00 A.M. TO 1:00 P.M.				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 Lasagna Burger Bar <i>Chef's Special</i>	2  CHICKEN Brisquet <i>Chef's Special</i>	3 Texas BBQ Ribs Chicken Pot Pie <i>Chef's Special</i>	4  FOODS Taco Bar Arroz con Pollo Joe's Beans	5  Fish Fry Southern Fried Fish Chicken & Broccoli Fried Rice <i>Chef's Special</i>
8 Beef Stir Fry Egg Rolls Roast Pork & Dressing <i>Chef's Special</i>	9  CHICKEN Liver w/Onions <i>Chef's Special</i>	10 Texas BBQ Ribs Schnitzel & Red Cabbage <i>Chef's Special</i>	11  FOODS Cheese Enchiladas Came Guisado Joe's Beans	12  Fish Fry Southern Fried Fish Baked Ham <i>Chef's Special</i>
15 Salisbury Steak <i>Chef's Special</i>	16  CHICKEN Italian Meatloaf <i>Chef's Special</i>	17 Texas BBQ Ribs Turkey w/Dressing <i>Chef's Special</i>	18  FOODS Crispy Chicken Tacos Seasoned Pork Chops/Apple Sauce Joe's Beans	19  Fish Fry Southern Fried Fish BBQ Chicken <i>Chef's Special</i>
22 Beef Tips & Noodles Baked Chicken <i>Chef's Special</i>	23  CHICKEN BBQ Beef on a Bun <i>Chef's Special</i>	24 Texas BBQ Ribs Swedish Meatballs <i>Chef's Special</i>	25  FOODS Beef Enchiladas King Ranch Chicken Joe's Beans	26  Fish Fry Southern Fried Fish Hot & Spicy Chicken Wings <i>Chef's Special</i>
29 Meat Ball's w/Gravy Country Fried Steak <i>Chef's Special</i>	30  CHICKEN Spaghetti & Meat Sauce <i>Chef's Special</i>			

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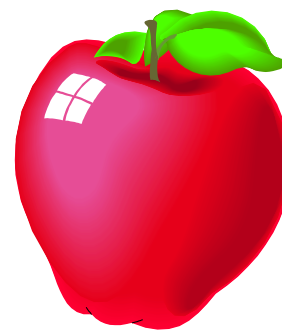
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or 5007.



▲ Millie Pichichero, a cookie demonstrator for the Fort Sam Houston Commissary prepares samples for shoppers to taste.

Midwest Region Announces ... Best Commissary Award



Fort Sam Houston was recently named 'Best Large Commissary' for 2001

By Ann W. Brown
Special to the News Leader

Bonnie A. Kanitz, Region Director for the Defense Commissary Agency's Midwest Region, recently announced winners of the regions Best Commissary Awards for 2001. Winner of the Best Large Commissary Award is Fort Sam Houston and winner of the Best Small Commissary Award is Minot Air Force Base, N.D.

Within the Midwest Region there are 58 stores, approximately half are in the large commissary category, which competed against Fort Sam Houston. Each Midwest Region winner will now compete in the DeCA worldwide competition for the Bill Nichols Best Large CONUS Commissary Award and Richard M. Page Best Small CONUS Commissary Award.

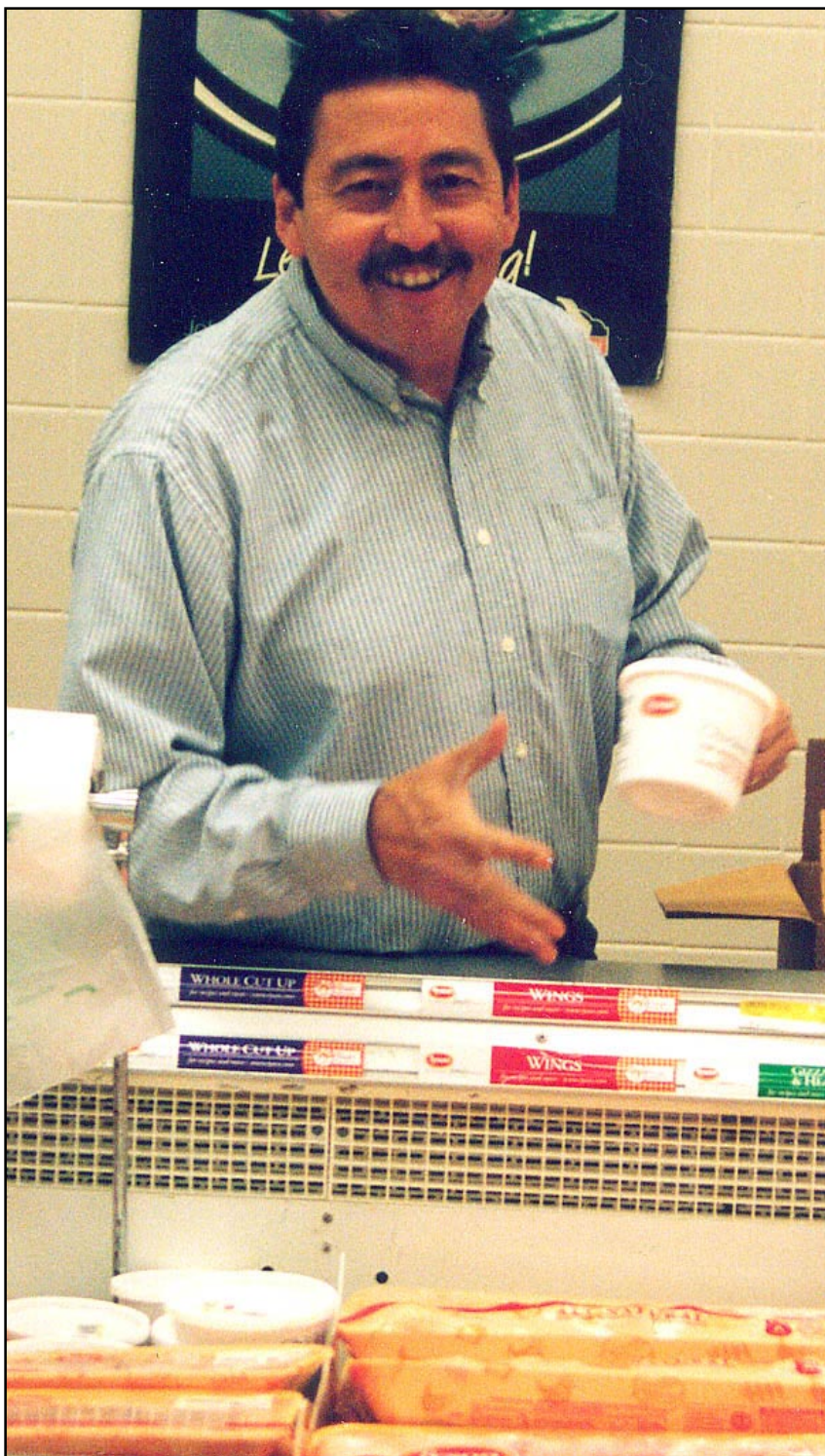
"The award for the best CONUS Commissary is very prestigious and the competition will be fierce," said Martin Jackson, Midwest Region business operations manager.

The DeCA awards program is dedicated to the memory of these fine statesmen who protected the commissary benefit and championed quality of life issues for the military and their families.

A DeCA evaluation team will visit each store in April to examine all aspects of the store's operation. Evaluators look for outstanding customer service, 99 percent in stock rates, creative displays, highly maintained facilities, and well run departments among other criteria.

The Fort Sam Houston Commissary will be competing against approximately 90 other stores, which will be putting their best foot forward to win the coveted award. But for the post commissary that will be business as usual.

"Carrie L. Butler and her staff should be commended on their work and professionalism," said Jackson. "We showed up to evaluate them without notice and they were ready. Which says a great deal about their dedication to the Fort Sam Houston Community."



▲ Vendor stocker Ramon Yuarte, arranges frozen Tyson Chicken in the freezer section of the commissary..



▲ Cindy Guerrero, deli clerk, carefully slices sandwich meat for a customer. The post commissary deli takes care of approximately 250 customers per day. The also provide party trays and party sub sandwiches.

▼ Commissary employee, Steve Mazure, arranges fresh peaches in the produce section. The Fort Sam Houston Commissary sells about \$8,700 in fresh fruits and vegetables daily.



▼ Debra Bankston, sales clerk, scans grocery items for a commissary patron. During 2001 approximately 853,225 customers purchased more than \$51.8 million in merchandise at the Fort Sam Houston commissary.





◀Erlinda Mertas, Deli clerk, prepares the pastry display before opening the shop. On a daily basis, the bakery staff bakes approximately 70 loaves of bread, 200 rolls and wedding/birthday cakes as ordered.

► Baker, Mary Wilks-Werth takes out freshly baked loaves of bread. In addition to fresh baked bread, the commissary bakers produce all additional cakes, including wedding cakes.

*“The Commissary Benefit -
Cornerstone of Military Quality of Life.
It is our goal to deliver the premier
quality of life benefit for our military
efficiently and effectively.”*

*Defense Commissary Agency’s
vision statement*

*Photos by:
Edward Rivera*



▼ The Fort Sam Houston commissary employees are rewarded for their hard work and dedication, their friendly attitude and professionalism by being selected as the Midwest Region’s ‘Best Large Commissary.’

► Sales store cashier Belinda Hernandez puts sales price tags on some chocolate lover favorites.



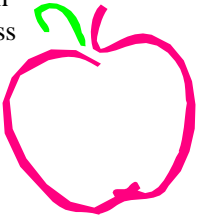


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▲Fort Sam Houston Elementary teacher Brandon Jones was honored by the San Antonio Spurs with the Spurs/Nortel Networks “Teacher of the Game” recently. Nominated by school staff for challenging his students beyond their expectations and creating a high-energy classroom, Jones was recognized during the San Antonio Spurs - Sacramento Basketball game.

Free nutrition classes offered at fitness center

Nutrition Classes will be offered in the Fitness for Your Health Office at the Jimmy Brought Fitness Center April 8 from 9:30 to 10 a.m. and from 11:30 a.m. to noon, and on April 17 from 5 to 6 p.m. These classes are free and will be taught by Capt. Karin Davidson.



For more information:

Call Lucian at 221-2020 or 221-1234.

Intramural Volleyball Standings

Final Standings

Team	W	L
DFAS	9	1
BAMC #1	8	2
BAMC #2	6	4
NCO Academy	4	6
147 th Med Log	3	7
5 th Army	0	10

March 25			
BAMC #2	2	147 th Med Log	0
BAMC #2	2	147 th Med Log	0
DFAS	2	NCO Academy	0
NCO Academy	2	5 th Army	0
DFAS	2	5 th Army	0
BAMC #1	2	5 th Army	1

March 27			
DFAS	2	147 th Med Log	0 (Forfeit)
DFAS	2	5 th Army	0
BAMC #2	2	5 th Army	0
BAMC #2	2	5 th Army	0
BAMC #1	2	NCO Academy	1
DFAS	2	BAMC #1	0

Fort Sam Houston Summer Camp registration held in April

Fort Sam Houston School Age Services will hold Summer Camp 2002 registration April 15-19 for active duty patrons. All other eligible patrons may start registration on April 22 and 23. Central Registration will be at School Age Services, Bldg. 1705, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. All patrons will be completing a new Child and Youth Management System registration packet. Please bring up-to-date shot record, current physical, current income verification for all family members, and current Family Care Plan (for Single Parent and dual

Active Duty family members). If you have a current Child and Youth Services membership, please bring the card with you. There is an annual registration fee of \$15 per child or \$35 for family of 3 or more. Patrons in Category 1 and Category 2 will be required to pay a \$50 deposit that will be applied to the last session of camp the child attends. Patrons in Categories 3-6 will be required to pay a \$100 deposit that will be applied to the last session of the child’s camp. Fees for each session are on a sliding scale based on total family

income. These deposits are non-refundable. Call Central Registration, 221-4871, to make an appointment for registration after these dates. Call School Age Services at 221-4466 for more information. Camp Session Dates are as follows: Session 1 - June 3-14 Session 2 - June 17-28 Session 3 - July 1-12 Session 4 - July 15-26 Session 5 - July 29-August 9 Session 6 - August 12-16 **Note:** The end of camp will be determined by the start of the schools in the Fort Sam Houston Independent School District.

Fort Sam Houston Library adds new reading program for children

By Emily Freeman
Special to the News Leader

The Fort Sam Houston Library is adding a new program to help children read. A new Guided Reading Program will kick off April 6 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The Guided Reading Program will take place every other Saturday beginning April 6 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Fort Sam Houston Library, Bldg. 1222 on Harney and Chaffee roads. The Guided Reading Program is designed to make reading fun, stimulate children’s interest in reading and their creativity.

The program is geared for young readers from kindergarten and second grade. Children will

engage in guided reading, reading games, making up stories, sharing books, reading aloud, coloring pictures, making crafts, singing songs, playing counting games and more. Staff Sgt. Mary Ann Abood, a graduate of the University of Maryland, will conduct the Guided Reading Program. Parents are encouraged to take advantage of all that the library has to offer during the program. Browse the library’s collections, do research or use the public computers. For more information on this program or the Fort Sam Houston Library contact Al Butcher at 221-4702 or 221-4170.

Tee Time

Tee it up after taxes

The Fort Sam Houston Intramural Golf Season will begin April 16. All active duty military, family members and Department of Defense civilians and contractors are welcome to join.

For more information on the golf season call Brett Niles at 221-2301 or email him at nilesb@samhou.5tharmy.Army.mil. Or call Earl Young at 221-1180 or e-mail him at Earl.Young@cen.amedd.Army.mil.



Fort Sam Houston Independent School District

Weekly Campus Activities

April 8 – 13, 2002
National Library Week

Fort Sam Houston Elementary School

- Monday, April 8
PTO Executive Meeting -11 a.m.
Pre-Registration Packets sent home
Sock it to TAAS
- Tuesday, April 2
Patriotic Day
- Wednesday, April 3
Hawaiian Day
- Thursday, April 4
Shades Day
- Friday, April 5
Twin Day
Spirit Day
Pre-Registration Packets Due Back

Robert G. Cole Jr. / Sr. High School

- Tuesday, April 9
UIL Region 12 2A Band at Clemens High School - 9:30 a.m.
Baseball vs Nixon - Smiley - 4:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, April 10
Fifth Six Weeks Exams: Periods 1 and 4
- Thursday, April 11
Fifth Six Weeks Exams: Periods 2, 3 and 7
Impact Parents Support Meeting in Media Center - 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
District Track Meet at Randolph
- Friday, April 12
Fifth Six Weeks Exams: Periods 5 and 6
End of Fifth Six Weeks
District Track Meet at Randolph
- Saturday, April 13
Baseball vs Navarro - 12 noon
Susan G. Komen - FSH Coalition For The Cure Run/Walk at Alamodome - 8:30 a.m.

Get fit for life with ‘Run for Your Life’

By Emily Freeman
Special to the News Leader

Get in shape and stay in shape with the Run/Walk for Your Life program. This self-paced, progressive distance running program is offered through the Fort Sam Houston Sports Office and at Army Posts worldwide. The free program is open to all active duty military personnel, DOD Civilians and dependents.

Broken into three phases, the Run/Walk for your life program is designed to improve the physical fitness and general health of all participants. Participants should consult with a physician before beginning this program, persons over the age of 40 should have a medical checkup prior to the start of the program.

First Phase - The first phase of the program is the Preparatory Phase. This phase is for people who do not exercise regularly or have not recently been involved in a

vigorous exercise program.

Second Phase - The second phase or Conditioning Phase is for participants who have completed the preparatory phase or recently have engaged in a vigorous conditioning program but cannot run/walk one mile in 8:30 minutes (men under 40), 9:30 minutes (men over 40 and women under 40), or 10:30 minutes (women over 40) without undue stress or fatigue. The goal is to progress slowly through the conditioning phase to achieve a minimum goal of seven miles per week within the time and distance goals.

Third Phase - The final phase is called the Sustaining Phase, this is for conditioned runners who can run one mile in the allotted amount of time without becoming fatigued. The goal is to continue running at least seven miles per week within the time and distance goals.

Individuals and units are encouraged to participate by completing the official

registration form, which is available at the Fort Sam Houston Sports Office, located at the Jimmy Brought Fitness Center, Bldg. 320 Wilson Road. Certificates and patches are awarded to participants who complete 50, 100, 200, 300, 400, 500, 750, 1,000, 2,500, 7,500 and 10,000 miles. Participants keep track of their own miles and all miles that you run/walk can be counted, including distances run during PT. When leaving Fort Sam, participants are encouraged to take their miles with them and register for the program at the next duty assignment.

For more information on the Run/Walk for Your Life Program, call 221-1234.

► People are more likely to stick to a diet and exercise regimen when they know it's working. Photo courtesy of 'News to Use.'



Tell TRICARE about all changes

Have you moved recently? Does your family have a new baby in the house? Has your other health insurance changed? Changes, both big and small, can affect your TRICARE coverage. By letting the proper people know about the changes in your life, your eligibility for TRICARE is verified and any claims will flow smoothly through the system.

Take a look at the list below of changes that affect your TRICARE coverage. If you've gone through one or more of these changes, make sure you've contacted all the right people with your new information. If you have a change in address or phone number, are turning 65, or need to report the birth, adoption or death of a covered member, notify the following:

- **Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System** - Change your DEERS record, which is used to check eligibility and process claims. Contact the nearest uniformed service personnel office for help; or, contact DEERS directly via phone at (800) 538-9552 or fax to (831) 655-8317. E-mail DEERS at www.TRICARE.osd.mil/DEERSAddress; or write to: DEERS Support Office, Attn:



COA, 400 Gigling Road, Seaside, CA 93955-6771

- **Military Treatment Facility** - Contact the outpatient Medical Records department and tell your doctor when checking in at your MTF appointment.
- **TRICARE Service Center** - Update changes that affect your enrollment information. Visit or call a TSC; or, complete and return a Change Request Form – available at your TSC or by calling (800) 406-2832. The Change Request Form is also available on the Web at www.HNFS.net.
- **Civilian Doctor's Offices** - Contact your Primary Care Doctor and any specialists you may see.
- **Wisconsin Physician's Services** - Updating your other health insurance information will make your claims flow through the system more quickly. Call WPS at (800) 406-2832 to speak to a customer service representative and update your other health insurance information.

Health Promotion Center

April Class Schedule

Class	Date	Time
Open House	5	7 a. m. to 4 p. m.
Cholesterol and Lipids	8	9 to 11:30 a. m.
Stress Management	9	10 to 11:30 a. m.
Aerobics	9	11a.m. to noon
Diabetes Education	9	12:45 to 4 p.m.
Office Yoga	10	Noon to 1 p. m.
Weight Management - Session 1	11	8:30 to 10 a.m.
Self Care and Health	11	9 to 11 a. m.
Aerobics	11	11 a.m. to noon
Asthma Part 1	15	1 to 3 p. m.
Arthritis	16	9:30 to 11 a. m.
Aerobics	16	11 a.m. to noon
Diabetes Education	16	12:45 to 4 p. m.
High Blood Pressure	17	9 a.m. to noon
Office Yoga	17	Noon to 1 p. m.
Aerobics	18	11 a.m. to noon
Back Pain	18	2 to 3:30 p. m.
Body Fat Testing	19	8 to 11 a. m.
Cholesterol and Lipids	22	9 to 11:30 a. m.
Aerobics	23	11 a.m. to noon
Diabetes Education	23	12:45 to 4 p. m.
Office Yoga	24	Noon to 1 p. m.
Osteoporosis	24	6 to 7 p. m.
Aerobics	25	11 a.m. to noon
Self Care and Health	25	1 to 3 p. m.
Tobacco Cessation “Readiness to Change”	25	2 to 4 p. m.
Breast Health	26	11 a.m. to noon
Weight Management – Session 1	29	1 to 2:30 p. m.
Aerobics	30	11 to noon
Diabetes Education	30	12:45 to 4 p. m.

Call the Health Promotion Center at 916-3352/5538 to register for all classes, except Diabetes Education, Back Pain, and Weight Management. To register for Diabetes Education call the Internal Medicine Clinic at 916-0840 (even if you are in Tricare Prime), select Option 2. To register for Back Pain call Physical Therapy at 916-1920. To register for Weight Management call Nutrition Care Division at 916-5525.

Recreation and Fitness News



“60 Days of Fitness” - Sign up now for the “60 Days of Fitness” program at the Jimmy Brought Fitness Center. The program promises to help participants lose 15 pounds in 60 days. Call Lucian Kimble at 221-2020/1234 for more information.

Triathlon - “Du an Indoor Tri” begins April 6, check-in no later than 7:30 a.m. at the Jimmy Brought Fitness Center. Call 221-4893/3185 or 826-1888 for more information.

Scuba Diving - Join this exciting underwater adventure and get your PADI and NAUI certification. The next class is scheduled to start April 15 at the Jimmy Brought Fitness Center. All SCUBA gear is furnished. Classes run in 2 – 3 week sessions and cost \$190 per participant. Call 221-1234 or 658-7495 for more information.

Women’s Varsity Softball - Players are still needed for the women’s softball team. If you are interested in playing, call Earl Young at 221-1180.

Fiesta Kids Mini Marathon - Get ready to run in the Fiesta 5k/10k and Kid’s Mini Marathon April 20. The run/walk will get under way at 8 a.m. at the Old Post Headquarters, across the street from the flagpole

on Stanley Road. Registration is \$15 before April 17 and \$20 after. Call 221-3185 for more information.

Free Nutrition Classes - Visit the Jimmy Brought Fitness Center’s Fitness for Your Health Office for free nutrition classes on the following dates: April 8, 9:30 to 10 a.m., April 10, 11:30 a.m. to noon, and April 17, 5 to 6 p.m. Classes will be taught by Capt. Karin Davidson, Registered Dietician. For information, call Lucian Kimble 221-2020 or 221-1234.

Post-wide Garage Sale - PCS-ing? Get rid of some junk or find some new treasures at the Post-Wide Garage on May 4 in the parking lot of the Roadrunner Community Center, Bldg. 2797, Stanley Rd. All garage sale participants, on and off-post will be required to set up and sell from the parking lot. For registration and information, call 221-2926.

Auto AC Check - Get Your Vehicle ready for spring. The hot weather is just around the corner. Get your vehicle air conditioner serviced at the Fort Sam Auto Craft Shop. Call 224-7046 for more information.

Hunter/Jumper Horseshow – Join the horse show on April 7 beginning at 9 a.m. The entry fee is \$8 per class or

\$50 all you can ride on privately owned horses, or \$10 per class or \$75 all you can ride on government horses. The show is free to spectators. All horses must have a negative Coggins test. For more information, call Cindy Tripoli at 224-7207.

Missions’ Military Family Appreciation Night – Sponsored by Kraft Foods, Military Family Appreciation Nights at Missions Baseball Games is scheduled for April 17. Call 221-2926 to reserve your ticket vouchers. Other Military Appreciation Nights is will be held June 11 and August 21.

Archery Shoot - The next Camp Bullis 3-D Archery Shoot is scheduled for April 27 and 28. Call 295-7577 for more information.

New Fitness Clubs - The Jimmy Brought Fitness Center is proud to announce several new fitness clubs. Get fit with the Bicycle Club, Walk for Lunch Bunch, Stairmaster Club and the Bench Press Club. To get involved with any or all of these great new clubs, fill out an application at the Jimmy Brought Fitness Center information counter. For more information on these or any other fitness related questions, contact Lucian Kimble at 221-2020/1234.

Three soldiers end military service, look to new horizons

In a consolidated retirement ceremony held Thursday at MacArthur Field, the following three Army soldiers completed a combined 73 years of service to the nation:

Col. James C. Kulild, U.S. Army Dental Activity, Fort Hood, Texas, retired following 33 years of military service. Kulild entered the U.S. Navy Early Commissioned Program while a first-year student at the University of Missouri at Kansas City School of Dentistry in 1969. His first active duty assignment was at the U.S. Navy Submarine Base, New London, Conn. in 1973. He applied for an inter-service transfer and was assigned to the U.S. Army Dental Activity, Fort Sill, Okla. in 1976 where he served as Assistant Chief of a dental treatment facility as well as the Dental Company commander.

In 1983 Kulild was assigned as Chief, Endodontics of the 98th Medical Detachment (Dental Service), Heidelberg, Germany. He also served as the Dental Inspector General, 7th Medical Command, U.S. Army Europe in Heidelberg in 1986.

After returning from Germany in 1987, Kulild was assigned as Assistant Director, U.S. Army Endodontic Residency Program, Fort Gordon, Ga., where he became Director in 1990. He was then assigned as Commander, U.S. Army Dental Activity, Fort Sam Houston, Texas in 1992. At Fort Sam Houston he served as Chief, Department of Dental Science, Academy of Health Sciences, AMEDDC&S in 1993 and was then selected to serve as Dean and Commandant, Academy of Health Sciences in 1994. He served as Chief, Department of Health Education and Training at the Academy in 1996.

Kulild returned to Heidelberg in 1998 where he served as Commander, 93rd Medical Battalion (Dental Service). He deployed to support Operation Joint Guardian as Commander, Task Force Medical Falcon and Surgeon, Task Force Falcon, Camp Bondsteel, Kosovo in 2000. Upon redeployment, Kulild returned to clinical practice and was assigned as Endodontic Consultant, European Regional Dental Command and Chief, Endodontics. He then returned from overseas and assumed his current position as Chief, Endodontics, U.S. Army Dental Activity, Fort Hood, Texas.

Kulild's military education includes the U.S. Army Medical Department Officer Basic and Advanced Courses at Fort Sam Houston. He completed Command and General Staff College and attended the resident U.S. Army War College. He earned a Master of Science in Oral Biology from the George Washington Univer-

sity, Washington, D.C. He also earned a certificate in Endodontics from Madigan Army Medical Center and is certified as a Diplomat by the American Board of Endodontics.

His military awards include: the Legion of Merit with one Oak Leaf Cluster, Meritorious Service Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, NATO Medal, Kosovo Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal with a bronze star device,

this tour, she was also deployed to Saudi Arabia where she provided dental care for American forces and enemy prisoners of war. In 1991 Carr was transferred to Fort Eustis, Va. and assigned as the NCOIC of the Hospital Dental Clinic.

Carr attended the Drill Sergeant Course at Fort Jackson in 1994. Following this, she was assigned to C Company, 187th Medical Battalion, AMEDDC&S, Fort Sam Houston as a Drill Sergeant. In 1996, Carr was assigned as the NCOIC of Baumholder Dental

sional Development Ribbon with numeral 3, Overseas Service Ribbon, Southeast Asia Service Medal with three Bronze Stars, Kuwait Liberation Medal, Drill Sergeant Badge and Driver Badge.

Staff Sgt. Freddie M. Waters Jr., Brooke Army Medical Center, Fort Sam Houston, retired following 20 years of military service. Waters completed Basic Combat Training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. and his Advanced Individual Training as a

Support Hospital where he took on various responsibilities including Squad Leader, Platoon Sergeant, Wardmaster for a Field Intermediate Care Ward and trainer for Intensive Care Medical Proficiency Training.

After 26 months in this assignment, Waters spent the next six months at Walter Reed Army Medical Center increasing his knowledge by studying to receive an additional skill as a Dialysis Technician. Upon graduation, he returned to Brooke Army Medical Center to serve as a Dialysis Technician and eventually became the NCOIC of the Dialysis Unit until 1995.

Waters spent his next four years at the United States Military Academy, West Point, N.Y. There he served at Keller Army Community Hospital as part of the Operation Team, as NCOIC of the Hospital Education and Staff Development, Company Reenlistment NCO and as a Hudson Valley Region Basic Cardiac Life Support Affiliate Faculty Member. Waters was also part of the Intercession Team providing training to the Cadets of West Point.

In 1999, Waters returned to the 121st General Hospital, Korea this time as NCOIC of the Intensive Care Unit and as Wardmaster for two Field Hospital Intensive Care Wards. After completing his second unaccompanied tour, Waters returned to Brooke Army Medical Center's Hemodialysis/Nephrology Service as the NCOIC.

Waters military education includes, the Primary Leadership Development Course, the Basic Noncommissioned Officer Course, the Instructor Trainer Course, the Nuclear Biological Chemical Warfare Course, the Chemical and Biological Patient Care Course, the Total Army Retention Course, the Practical Nurse Course, the Critical Care Nurse Course, the Emergency Medical Technician Course, the Advanced Cardiac Life Support Course, the Basic Cardiac Life Support Instructor Trainer Course, the Dialysis Technician Course, the Wardmaster Development Course, and the Pre-Hospital Trauma Life Support Course.

His awards and decoration include the Meritorious Service Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Army Commendation Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, the Army Achievement Medal, the Good Conduct Medal with six awards, the National Defense Service Medal, the NCO Professional Development Ribbon, the Overseas Service Ribbon, the Army Service Ribbon and the Distinguished Unit Citation.

In 1988 Waters was assigned to the 41st Combat



Photo by Ed Dixon

▲Col. James C. Kulild, U.S. Army Dental Activity, Fort Hood, Texas, Sgt. 1st Class Robin M. Carr, U.S. Army Medical Department Center and School and Staff Sgt. Freddie M. Waters, Jr., Brooke Army Medical Center, retired from military service during a consolidated retirement ceremony held at MacArthur Parade Field Thursday morning.

Overseas Service Ribbon with two devices, and the Army Service Ribbon. He was awarded the Fairbank Medal in the Officer Advanced Course, is a member of the Order of Military Medical Merit, and had been awarded the "A" designator by The U.S. Army Surgeon General.

Sgt. 1st Class Robin M. Carr, U.S. Army Medical Department Center and School Fort Sam Houston, retired after 20 years of military service. Carr completed Basic Combat Training at Fort Jackson, S.C. Her Advanced Individual Training as a Dental Specialist was completed at Fort Sam Houston. Her first duty assignment, in 1981, was to the U.S. Dental Activity, Fort Riley, Kan., where she worked as a Dental Specialist in Dental Clinic #4.

In 1984, Carr was assigned to the 122nd Medical Detachment, Frankfurt, Germany. She served in several duty positions to include assistant non-commissioned officer in charge of Hansa Allee Dental Clinic; Chief, Oral Maxilla-Facial Surgical Assistant, 97th General Hospital Dental Clinic; and a dental assistant at the Edwards Dental Clinic. During

Clinic Command, Landstuhl DENTAC, Baumholder, Germany. In 1998, she was transferred to Fort Gillem, Ga. to work as a Senior Dental Advisor, 5th Training Support Battalion. Carr was assigned as a Small Group Leader at the AMEDD NCO Academy Advanced Non-commissioned Officers Course in 1999.

Her military education includes completion of the Small Group Instruction Training Course, Faculty and Staff Development Course, Advanced Non-commissioned Officers Course, Basic Non-commissioned Officer Course, Primary Leadership Course, Dental Specialist Course, Preventive Dentistry Specialist Course and the Drill Sergeant Course. In November 2001, she earned a Bachelor of Science in Occupational Education degree from Wayland Baptist University, San Antonio.

Awards and decorations include; Meritorious Service Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster, Army Commendation Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Achievement Medal with Silver Oak Leaf Cluster, Good Conduct Medal, sixth award, National Defense Service Medal, NCO Profes-

Combat Medical Aidman at Fort Sam Houston. His first duty assignment in 1982 was to B Company, Fitzsimons Army Medical Center and performed duties as a Patient Care Specialist for the Thoracic Surgery Ward.

In 1983 Waters was assigned to Fitzsimons Army Medical Center School of Practical Nursing. After graduating, he was assigned to USA MEDDAC, Fort McClellan, Ala., where he served as a Practical Nurse on a Medical/Surgical Ward. After two years of service at Fort McClellan, Waters was assigned overseas to the 121st Evacuation Hospital in Korea. There he performed duties as a Practical Nurse on a Medical Ward. After completing his overseas tour, he was assigned to Alpha Company, Brooke Army Medical Center where he performed duties as a Practical Nurse in the Cardiac Intensive Care Unit with subsequent assignment as a Hospital Infection Control Technician. Waters also distinguished himself during this time by becoming the NCOIC for the Brooke Army Medical Center Color Guard.

¿Que Pasa?



Community events

Military Community Road Runner Club meeting, April 5

The military Community Road Runner Club will meet April 5, 6 p.m. at the Alamo USO, 420 East Commerce Street. For more information call (210) 241-7385 or visit their web site at militarycommunityroadrunners.org.

S.A. Bob Marley Festival, April 6 and 7

The San Antonio Bob Marley Festival will be held at Sunken Gardens on April 6 and 7, noon to 11 p.m. The festival features Caribbean food and entertainment, including Innervision and Black Rebel. Entertainment by various U.S. and international reggae groups starts at noon each day. Admission is \$5 until 3 p.m. and \$10 after 3 p.m. Admission is free until 3p.m. with a bag of nonperishable canned food items. For more information about the festival and entertainment schedule see bobmarley-festival.com.

Senior Games April 7 to 14

More than 1200 athletes of all fitness levels from across the city, state and even the United States are expected to participate. More than 24 different citywide venues ranging from archery to volleyball will take place. For information call 302-6820 and ask for Senior Games Hot Line or visit www.senriorolympicssa.com.

Army Medical Specialist Corps celebrates 55th anniversary, April 16

Celebrate the 55th anniversary of the Army Medical Specialist Corps, April 16, 3 p.m., Blesse Auditorium. Refreshments will be served in the courtyard following ceremony.

Tuskegee Airman, Inc. to sponsor Golf tournament, April 19

The San Antonio Chapter of Tuskegee Airman, Inc. will sponsor the 6th Annual "Legends & Heroes Golf Classic" on April 19 at the Fort Sam Houston Golf Course. Registration will begin at noon, with a shotgun start at 1 p.m. Format will be four-person Florida Scramble, using USGA rules. Cost per entry is \$60 and includes green and cart fees, range balls and dinner. Proceeds will benefit the TAI Scholarship Fund. For information or to register, call Oliver Nelson, 658-4733 or Tim Barfield, 652-3285.

Cash and carry sale of Non-appropriated Funds property, April 24

DoD I.D. cardholders make plans to attend the NAF property on sale April 24, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Bldg. 4191. Cash and checks with picture identification accepted for payment. All sales are final. Property sold "as is, where is." Items available for sale include used refrigerators, used microwave ovens, used televisions, used curtains, used bed spreads, used carpet tile, used lamps with shades, used tents, used desk chairs, used computer with monitor and keyboard, used lounge easy chairs and more. For more information or directions, please call the MWR Warehouse at 221-4449 or 221-4950.

Asian Pacific Islander Luncheon, May 1

Asian Pacific Islander Luncheon, May 1, NCO Club, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost is \$8 per person. Tickets for Asian Pacific opening ceremony luncheon are now on sale. For tickets call the Equal Employment Office at 221-0431.

Fort Sam Houston Post-Wide Garage Sale, May 4

Make plans to attend the post-wide Garage Sale, May 4, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Roadrunner Community Center parking lot, Bldg. 2797 Stanley Road. DoD ID cardholders are invited to display goods for sale. Also on-post residents will not be permitted to sell from their yards/homes. Participants will set up in the parking lot across from the Roadrunner Community Center, using their own tables. Tables are available for rent at the Outdoor Equipment Center, 221-5224 or 221-5225. Registration required by May 2. For information call Emily Freeman 221-2926 or 221-2523.

The University of the Incarnate Word 1st Annual Freedom Run, May 4

A Freedom Run will be held at the University of the Incarnate Word on May 4 at 8 a.m. Pre-registration will be held from 8 a.m.- 6 p.m. on April 29-May 3 in the UIW Wellness Center. Pre-registration fees are as follows: individuals- \$12, students, employees, alumni, and sponsors- \$4, and for a family or team of four- \$38. Race day fees are individuals \$15, and \$40 for a family or team of four. For registration information, call 829-6001. Proceeds benefit the S.A. Education Partnership Endowment Foundation, the National Hispanic Scholarship Fund, and the Endowed Scholarship Fund at the university.

Volunteers needed

BAMC needs Partner in Healing volunteers

BAMC seeks volunteers to provide in-house patient transport. Nurses rely on the patient transport program to stay on the wards and focus on quality patient care. Join the kind and dedicated team of volunteers who provide this important service to the patients. Call 916-5083 to become a BAMC Partner in Healing.

Auditions for "Lend Me a Tenor" at Harlequin, April 8 and 9

Auditions at the Harlequin Dinner Theatre April 8 and 9, 7 to 8:30 p.m. for "Lend Me a Tenor," a comedy by Ken Ludwig. There are roles for four men and four

In the classroom

Celebrate the safety pin at Oakwell Library, April 10

A special craft program celebrating the safety pin will be held at the Oakwell Library, 4134 Harry Wurzbach, April 10, 4 p.m. Make an American flag pin using safety pins and seed beads to celebrate the first safety pin. Program is free and materials are supplied. Pre-registration required. Call 828-2569.

Learn more about benefits, April 16

Soldiers whose Date Initially Entered Military

Service is on or after August 1, 1986, should attend a briefing on the Career Status Bonus, Reduced Retirement Plan and Thrift Savings Plan. Transition Services offers monthly briefings in Bldg. 2267 at 9 a.m. on the following dates: Apr 16, May 14, June 11, July 16, Aug. 13 and Sept. 17, 2002. To attend a briefing or obtain more information, call 221-2467 or 221-0936.

Seminar for Office Professionals, April 22

Celebrate National Secretaries' Day and join the seminar for office professionals April 22 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Old San Francisco Steak House Crystal Room, 10223 Sahara. Cost is \$85 Government credit cards accepted. To register, call (210) 520-3055 or e-mail susan78238@aol.com.

Fiesta Events

Fiesta 2002 Parade seats available now

Make plans now to attend the Fiesta 2002 Battle of Flowers Parade on April 26. The Cole High School Cougar Band will be marching in this parade. Tickets are also available for the Fiesta Flamebeau (night) Parade on April 28. Seats are \$7 and are located along the 100 block of East Commerce Street between Soledad and St. Mary's streets. For information call Robyn Meilinger at 281-9178.

S. A. State School's Country & Western Gala, April 19

Dinner, dance and live auction at the Jersey Lilly Hospitality Center located at Pearl Brewery, 312 Pearl Parkway. Dinner 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Dance music by Charlie Castleman "Bimbo & Borderline" 8 p.m. to midnight. Silent auction bids start at 7 p.m. Live auction bids start at 10 p.m. Cost is \$15. For information call Orlando Cisneros at (210) 885-4606 or Roger Rubio at 691-8936 or Lucia or Grace at 531-3728. Event benefits persons with mental retardation who live at the S.A. State School.

18th Annual Fiesta de Tejas, April 19

A fun family event, Fiesta de Tejas is held at the Health Science Center, 7703 Floyd Curl Drive, April 19, 3 p.m. to midnight. Bring a new child's book and get \$1 off adult ticket. Presale tickets \$6, at the gate \$8, children 6 and under free, adults 65 and older free, and military discounts with military I.D.

S.A. State School's Family Fun Fiesta, April 20

Check out the craft bazaar, rummage sale, entertainment and food booths at the San Antonio State School, 6711 South New Braunfels, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Event is free and the public is invited. For information call Lucia or Grace at 531-3728. Event benefits persons with mental retardation who live at the S.A. State School.

6th Annual Kiss Krawfish Festival, April 28

The Sunken Garden Theatre is the place to be for this event, noon to 10 p.m. Crawfish straight out of Louisiana along with a wide variety of foods, entertainment and more. Presale tickets \$10, at the gate \$12. Event is sponsored by 99.5 Kiss Radio and benefits Boysville.

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USO free income tax service through April 13

USO offers income tax services for active duty service members

The San Antonio USO is offering free income tax preparation assistance for active duty military personnel every Saturday through April 13 from 10 to 11 a.m. Appointments made by calling 227-9373. The USO Center is located at 420 East Commerce Street, downtown San Antonio.